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TO : Chief, Intelligence School

DATE: 13 August 1957

FROM : Chief, Intelligence Faculty

SUBJECT: Weekly Activities Report No. 33  
7 August - 13 August 1957**I. SIGNIFICANT ITEMS**

Nothing to report.

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**II. OTHER ACTIVITIES**

A. [ ] has completed a chart which presents the analysis of the objectives of the Intelligence Research Techniques course now under development. This analysis will assist us in developing objective evaluative instruments for the course.

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B. Last week [ ] retested the students from the second experimental, 4-week, 2-hours-per-day course. The [ ] students who were retested from the 2 shorter duration courses showed good retention of their skill gains. The average gains made between pretesting before training and retesting 2 months after the end of training, for students who took the 7-week, 1-hour-per-day course and for students who took the 4-week, 2-hours-per day course were:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Gain from Pretest to Retest</u>			
	<u>7 Week Course</u> <u>(1 hr. per day)</u>		<u>4 Week Course</u> <u>(2 hrs. per day)</u>	
	<u>Rate*</u>	<u>Score*</u>	<u>Rate*</u>	<u>Score*</u>
Scan for main ideas	+ 106	+ 1	+ 206	+ 10
Informational reading	+ 69	+ 8	+ 53	+ 7
Study	---	+ 14	---	+ 22

\*Rate is in words per minute, and score is percentage of questions answered correctly.

Since these results show that the 4-week, 2-hours-per-day course is effective, and the students' critiques indicated they prefer that schedule to the 7-week, 1-hour-per-day schedule, we will continue to schedule the course for 4 weeks, 2 hours per day. However, we will continue to study the results for larger numbers of students.

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C. The training officer for OO/FBID requested the Registrar, OTR, to arrange for a special Reading Techniques class for  FBID staff members, to be scheduled after Labor Day, and to meet after 2 p.m. each day. We suggested that FBID register the people for the course scheduled to begin 23 September, so that they will constitute the entire afternoon section of the regular 23 September class. This means that only  vacancies remain in the 23 September class for other DD/I, DD/S and DD/P components, since we cannot train more than  people in one class.

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D.  has been informed that 26 August is the target date for moving the Reading Lab to Quarters Eye.

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E. The typing and reproduction of the readability study were completed last week. The typing was accomplished by the cooperation of several secretaries in the Intelligence School.

III. PERSONNEL NOTES

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A.  is on leave until Thursday, 22 August.

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B.  on military leave with the Air Attaché Branch, Directorate of Intelligence, is drafting a "package" map reading course to be introduced in the briefing of Air Force personnel prior to overseas assignment.



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